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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re application of:

JAMES L. PACEK et al.

Application No.: 09/771,299

Filed: January 25, 2001

For: SYSTEMS AND METHODS FOR  
ELECTROSURGICAL DISSECTION AND  
HARVESTING OF TISSUE

Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

Examiner:

Art Unit: 3739

PETITION FOR REVIVAL OF AN  
APPLICATION FOR PATENT  
ABANDONED UNINTENTIONALLY  
UNDER 37 CFR 1.137(b)

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Sir:

**OFFICE OF PETITIONS**

The above-identified application became abandoned for failure to file a timely and proper reply to the Notice to File Corrected Application Papers mailed May 4, 2001. Applicant hereby petitions for revival of this application. Applicant responded to the Notice to File Corrected Application Papers on May 14, 2001 (copy enclosed). However, Applicant did not include a Preliminary Amendment deleting reference to Figs. 13A and 13B. A Preliminary Amendment is enclosed herewith. The Commissioner is authorized to charge the Petition fee to Deposit Account No. 50-0359. The entire delay in filing the required reply from the due date for the required reply until the filing of a grantable petition under 37 CFR 1.137(b) was unintentional.

If the Examiner believes a telephone conference would expedite prosecution of this application, please telephone the undersigned at (408) 736-0224.

Respectfully submitted,

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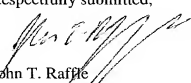
**RESPONSE TO NOTICE TO FILE  
CORRECTED APPLICATION PAPERS**

Sir:

In response to the Notice to File Corrected Application Papers mailed May 4, 2001, Applicant encloses substitute drawings, with the appropriate margins.

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Respectfully submitted,

  
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